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In re application of:

Peter P. Lee

Application No.:

Filed: January 10, 2002

For: A METHOD FOR IMPROVING
THE HALF-LIFE OF SOLUBLE VIRAL
RECEPTORS ON MUCOSAL
MEMBRANES

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Art Unit:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 8, add the following:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-16, 36 and 39-41. Claims 17-35, 37 and 38 are pending in this application.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,



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